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Copies of the listed foreign and non-patent literature documents are attached.

Japanese Published Patent Application No. 2002-073861 is cited on page 4 of the specification, and Japanese Published Patent Application No. 10-271154 is cited on page 6 of the specification. English abstracts of the publications are attached.

Also, an English language translation of the Written Opinion of the International Search Authority dated March 23, 2006 is attached.

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